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MEDICARE—PHYSICIAN VALUE-BASED PURCHASING

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Value-Based Purchasing for Physicians under Medicare. Testimony was heard from Mark McClellan, M.D., Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

ENERGY POLICY ACT

Conferees continued in evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 6, to ensure jobs for our future with secure, affordable, and reliable energy.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 758–759)

H.R. 3332, to provide an extension of highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and

other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. Signed on July 20, 2005 (Public Law 109–35)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Karen P. Hughes, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy, with the rank of Ambassador, Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs, Kristen Silverberg, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, and Jendayi Elizabeth Frazer, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, 10 a.m., SD–419.

House

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to continue markup of H.R. 690, College Access and Opportunity Act, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Friday, July 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, July 22

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 1042, Department of Defense Authorization.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Consideration of H.R. 3070, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2005 (structured rule, one hour of debate).

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